

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

*FINAL HYMN 611: "Christ the worker"
 POSTLUDE: Trumpet Tune

African Work Song
 David N. Johnson

Today's Celebrant & Servers:

Officiant-The Reverend Matthew R. Stromberg, Rector
 Organist & Director of Music: Andrew Krystopolski
 Associate Organist: Jeffrey Wengrovius
 Crucifer-, Alice Polumbo, Steve Hartz, or Colton Jaquith
 Thurifer- Chris Henry Acolytes: J.J. Moran, Anna Thiessen
 MC 9 AM-David Kennison, Lector 11:15 AM Kevin Grace or Alice Polumbo
 Greeters: Rosemary Pannone & Ann Duff
 Lector 9 AM: Sue Hartz
 Counters: Sue Hartz & Grant Jaquith

WELCOME GUESTS-We are glad that you are with us today! Please complete a visitor card and give it to Father Matt as you leave and please consider joining us for a coffee reception in the Great Hall after the service. Please note that Sunday School is available for children ages 3-8 during the 9:00am service upstairs in the Great Hall.

CHANGE IN SUNDAY MASS TIMES: After conducting a parish wide survey, Fr. Matt has decided to change our Sunday worship schedule. The new times will be 8AM Mass Rite II in the chapel, 10 AM MASS Rite I in the Church. There will be a service of Morning Prayer 7:30 before the 8AM Mass, A brief Bible study in the Library between services at 9:10, and a fellowship time following the 10AM Mass. **The Changes will go into effect beginning September 17.**

MASS ON THE GRASS: Say farewell to summer at Saint George's by joining us for worship outside in our rose garden during our 9AM Mass on September 10th. Bring a comfy chair and maybe one to share with a friend. Weather permitting of course!

STOCKADE ART SHOW St. George's Café will need help serving, grilling, setting up, cleaning up, and in the kitchen during the Art show. Look for a sign-up sheet in the back of the church. Please join us, even for part of the day. Contact Joan Pearson or Kevin Grace with questions

HOLY CROSS DAY September 14 6:30pm in the Chapel. After our service we will walk over to the Van Dyck for our Book Study/ Theology on Tap

BOOK STUDY: *What Is the Bible?: How an Ancient Library of Poems, Letters, and Stories Can Transform the Way You Think and Feel About Everything* is a new book by Rob Bell. It challenges readers to take a fresh look at the Bible and discover its continual relevance for modern life. Fr. Matt will host a "Theology on Tap" discussion of the book. We will meet September 14 7:30PM at the Van Dyck.

START-UP SUNDAY September 17. The first Sunday of our new mass times! Father John Wengrovius, Jeff's brother, will kick off our stewardship campaign as our guest preacher. Information and sign up sheets for our various ministries will be available in the Great Hall. There will be a pot luck lunch following the 10am service.

CONFIRMATION CLASS- Have you been Confirmed in the Episcopal Church? Have you been Confirmed in another church but never formally received as an Episcopalian? Are you interested in participating in an Episcopal

Church 101 type class? We are interested in putting something together. Email us at office@stgeorgesschenectady.org

MUMS SALE Put in your order now! \$8 each 2 for 15. You can find an order form in the back of the church or email Kevin at Rag54321@aol.com.

CITY MISSION FOOD PANTRY-St George's maintains ongoing support through donations to the City Mission Food Pantry. Please remember the food pantry when doing your grocery shopping as your contributions assist those who are not able to consistently realize proper nutrition for themselves or their families.

BOOK CLUB The club is reading the Colson Whitehead novel "The Underground Railroad." **Note the time change.** Due to changes in our Sunday schedule and another event on the original date, the time has been changed to September 24 in the library following the 10AM Mass.

HURRICANE RELIEF Episcopal Relief & Development urges pray-ers for communities along the US Gulf Coast dealing with the impact of Hurricane Harvey. Please donate to the Hurricane Harvey Re-sponse Fund and visit the organization's website for more information about relief and recovery efforts. <http://www.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-harvey-response>

This Week at St. George's

Sunday, September 3 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
 9:00 AM Mass, Rite I
 11:15 AM Mass, Rite I

Monday, September 4 (Rectors day off) *Labor Day*

Tuesday, September 5 *Romanus & David, princes and martyrs*

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
 9:00 AM Mass, Rite I
 5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Wednesday, September 6 *Feria*

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
 9:00 AM Mass, Rite II
 5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Thursday, September 7 *Feria*

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
 9:00 AM Mass, Rite II
 5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Friday, September 8 *Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
 12:15 PM Mass, Rite II
 5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Saturday, September 9 *Constance and her companions*

Parish Intercessions-Dorothy, Larry, Bob H., Joan P., Jill, Aileen, Craig, Shirley, Nicholas, Kate, Robert H., Martha, Loren & family, Pat, Dagmar Mary, Pat R., Amelia, Andrea, Carolyn, Douglas, Louisa, Alice, Patricia, Dean, Katherine, Ken, Polly, and Jonah

Bithdays: James Gartin 9/9

Anniversaries: Stephen & Suzanne Hatz 9/4, Homer and Shirley Kerr 9/4, Michael and Katherine Webber 9/9

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September 3, 2017

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost, Proper 17

* Stand for all hymns

PRELUDE: "His eye is on the sparrow" Civilla D. Martin / Charles H. Gabriel
Roseanne Hargrave, soprano

HYMN 648: "Go down, Moses" *Spiritual*

INTROIT: *His name shall endure forever; it shall be continued as long as the sun: and all people shall be blessed in him; all nations shall call him blessed. Glory ye in his holy name; let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord; Seek his strength and his face evermore. Glory be...*

OPENING SENTENCE (BCP 323):

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP 323) *kneel*

Celebrant begins: Let us pray

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON "Communion Service in Eb" by L.J. White

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *This music is found on the card in your pew* *stand*

COLLECT OF THE DAY: *kneel*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful God, that thy Church, being gathered together in unity by thy Holy Spirit, may manifest thy power among all peoples, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

THE FIRST READING: Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c Confitemini Domino

1 Give thanks to the Lord and call u/pon his / Name; *



make known his / deeds a / mong the / peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing / praises to / him, *

and speak of / all his / marvelous / works.

3 Glory in his / holy / Name; *

let the hearts of those who / seek the / Lord re/ joice.

4 Search for the Lord / and his / strength; *

con / tinal-ly / seek his / face.

5 Remember the marvels / he has / done, *

his wonders and the / judgments / of his / mouth,

6 O offspring of / Abraham his / servant, *

O / children of / Jacob his / chosen.

23 Israel came / into / Egypt, *

and Jacob became a sojourner / in the / land of / Ham.

24 The Lord made his people / exceeding-ly / fruitful; *

he made them / stronger / than their / enemies;

25 Whose heart he turned, so that they / hated his / people, *

and dealt un /justly / with his / servants.

26 He sent / Moses his / servant, *

and Aaron whom he had / chosen./ Halle/lujah!

THE EPISTLE: Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in

prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***SEQUENCE HYMN 675: "Take up your cross"**

Bourbon

ALLELUIA: All who take refuge in thee will be glad; they will sing of their joy forever.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 16:21-28

stand

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to thee, O Christ

THE SERMON

Fr. Paul Hunter

NICENE CREED (BCP 327)

stand

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP 328)

CONFESSION (BCP 331)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought,

word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we earnestly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen .

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE: And Jesus prayed, "Father; as thou didst send me into the world, so I have sent them into the world; for their sake I consecrate myself that they also may be consecrated in truth."

***OFFERTORY HYMN 618: "Ye watchers and ye holy ones"**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (BCP 333)

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God... Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying...

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS: This music is found on the card in your pew

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I: (BCP 334)

kneel

LORD'S PRAYER This music is found on the card in your pew

THE FRACTION (BCP 337):

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

People: Therefore Let us keep the feast

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you

People: And with thy spirit

AGNUS DEI This music is found on the card in your pew

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP 337):

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant: Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world

People: Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof but speak the word only and I shall be healed

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION:

(All baptized Christians may receive, regardless of age or denomination.)

COMMUNION SENTENCE: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and all these things shall be added unto you," saith the Lord."

COMMUNION: "Ave Maria" (Vocalese) Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

HYMN 332: "O God, unseen yet ever near" St. Flavian (Day's Psalter)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP 339):